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House Resolution 321

By: Representatives Heard of the 114th, McKillip of the 115th, and Smith of the 113th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Dr. David L. Levine as the Distinguished Older Georgian for
- 2 2009 and inviting him to appear before the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, Dr. David L. Levine was born August 30, 1919, and is still actively contributing
- 4 to his state and community in his 90th year; and
- 5 WHEREAS, he received a Bachelor of Science degree from City College of New York, a
- 6 Master of Social Work degree from the University of Pennsylvania, and a Doctor of Social
- 7 Work degree from the University of Minnesota, making him one of the first 100 people in
- 8 the nation to achieve this educational milestone; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Dr. David L. Levine was recognized by the University of Georgia as a Professor
- 10 Emeritus of Social Work in 1990, and he has advanced the field of social work through his
- teaching at the University of Minnesota, Florida State University, Syracuse University, and,
- 12 for the last four decades of his career, the Medical College of Georgia and the University of
- 13 Georgia; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Dr. Levine was united in love and marriage to the late Laura Levine for over
- 15 64 years; the couple was blessed with four loving and devoted children; and his loving care
- 16 for his spouse during her final years is an inspiration; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Dr. Levine has lived in Athens-Clarke County since 1969 and has earned a
- 18 reputation for his devoted service to the community and Georgia, serving as Founding
- 19 Director of the Athens Community Council on Aging and an active member of the Georgia
- 20 Council on Aging, the Georgia Gerontology Society Board of Directors, and the National
- 21 Association of Social Workers; and

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WHEREAS, he has provided decades of service and advocacy to the field of mental health

- 23 through his service on the Olmstead Committee and his chairmanship of the new Northeast
- 24 Georgia Community Health Center Board; and
- 25 WHEREAS, he has influenced the lives of many students and fellow professionals through
- 26 his mentorship and his genuine concern for their lives and their careers in gerontology; and
- 27 WHEREAS, he is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for
- integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example he has made of his life, he
- 29 makes this world a better place to live; and it is only fitting and proper that he be
- 30 appropriately recognized during Senior Week 2009.
- 31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 32 this body heartily commends Dr. David L. Levine for his unselfish, dedicated, and loyal
- 33 service to his community and state and extends to him its most sincere best wishes for
- 34 continued health and happiness.
- 35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of this body invite Dr. David L. Levine to
- 36 appear before the House of Representatives on such date and time as determined by the
- 37 Speaker of the House and receive an appropriate copy of this resolution.